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## European comparison on cost of diabetes and % of total health care budget

Country	Cost of diabetes (per year)	% of total healthcare budget
<b>Austria</b>	There were 173% more prescriptions and 131% higher costs for anti-diabetic medication than in 1993. Costs not estimated	Not estimated
<b>Belgium</b>	The annual cost per patient Type 2 diabetes is \$3.142. Diabetic people cost 2 to 3 times more to the system than a non-diabetic individuals.	6.7%
<b>Cyprus</b>	Not available	Not estimated
<b>Czech Republic</b>	Not available	15%
<b>Denmark</b>		7% (control and treatment of diabetes and complication)
<b>Estonia</b>	Not available	Not available
<b>Finland</b>	857.8 million Euros	11.1% (in 1997)
<b>France</b>	4.9 billion Euros Annual healthcare spending for each patient : about 4250€	4.7%
<b>Germany</b>	30 billions Euros	
<b>Greece</b>	Not estimated	Not estimated
<b>Hungary</b>	Not estimated	Not estimated
<b>Ireland</b>	350.5 million Euros Cost per patient: 2.945€	10%
<b>Italy</b>	5.5 billion Euros	6%
<b>Latvia</b>	Not available	Not available
<b>Lithuania</b>	10 million Euros	10.6%
<b>Luxembourg</b>	Not available	Not available
<b>Malta</b>	Not available	Not available
<b>Poland</b>	654.937.474€	8.1%
<b>Portugal</b>		5%
<b>Slovakia</b>	Not available	Not available
<b>Slovenia</b>	Not available	Not available
<b>Spain</b>	2.4 - 2.6 billion Euros	About 6%
<b>Sweden</b>	267.2 million Euros Cost of diabetes treatment: 2.980€ per patient	
<b>The Netherlands</b>	Not estimated	2.5%
<b>The United Kingdom</b>	£5.2 billion	9%

*Source: Federation of European Nurses in Diabetes (FEND)*